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SUBJECT: POSTPONEMENT OF FURTHER EMBASSY/MOFA MEETINGSON
DIPLOMATIC COMPENSATORY MEASURES

REF: SEOUL 5402

1. FOLLOWING REVIEW OF MEETINGS TO DATE ON DIPLOMATIC
COMPENSATORY MEASURES BETWEEN MOFA AND EMBASSY, AMBASSADOR
TOOK OCCASION OF HIS JUNE 28 MEETING WITH FOREIGN MINISTER
PAK TO REQUEST TWO WEEK POSTPONEMENT ANY FURTHER MEETINGS.
GIVEN AMBASSADOR'S CONCERN WITH DRIFT OF DIPLOMATIC MEETINGS.
NOTING THAT BROAD AND GENERAL DISCUSSIONS HELD SO FAR DID NOT
APPEAR TO BE GETTING ANYWHERE USEFUL AND THAT OVER-FORMALI-
ZATION OF PROCEDURES COULD LEAD US INTO PROBLEM AREAS,
AMBASSADOR SAID BOTH SIDES SHOULD STUDY PRECISELY WHAT
NEEDED TO BE DONE. AMBASSADOR THEN ASKED FOR MORE PRECISE
INDICATION OF WHAT MOFA HAD IN MIND WITH REGARD TO DIPLOMATIC
COMPENSATORY MEASURES AND FORMULATIONS FOR EXPRESSING THESE.

2. FORNMIN PAK AGREED THAT IT MIGHT BE MORE USEFUL TO
GET DOWN TO SPECIFICS INSTEAD OF CONTINUING ABSTRACT
DISCUSSIONS HELD TO DATE. AFTER POINTING OUT THAT IT
WAS USEFUL FOR PUBLIC RELATIONS PURPOSES TO CONVEY THE
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IDEA THAT CONSULTATIONS GOING ON, PAK SAID THAT
ONE POSSIBILITY MOFA HAD IN MIND WAS GOVERNMENT-TO-
GOVERNMENT STATEMENT ON DIPLOMATIC COOPERATION TO BE ISSUED
IN CONJUNCTION WITH SCM COMMUNIQUE. WHILE EXPRESSING
CLEAR RESERVATIONS ABOUT NECESSITY OR FEASIBILITY OF
SUCH A SEPARATE STATEMENT, AMBASSADOR SAID WE WOULD
NONETHELESS CONSIDER ANY SPECIFIC LANGUAGE MOFA MIGHT

HAVE EITHER FOR INCLUSION IN SCM COMMUNIQUE OR IN OTHER DOCUMENTS. AMBASSADOR EMPHASIZED AT SAME TIME THAT ANY LANGUAGE AND DOCUMENTS ISSUED SHOULD ADDRESS THE MAJOR SUBJECT OF THE SECURITY CONSULTATIVE MEETING, I.E., THE IMPLICATIONS OF UNITED STATES GROUND FORCE WITHDRAWALS. REFERRING TO UNDER SECRETARY HABIB'S COMMENTS AT MOFA DURING HIS VISIT, AMBASSADOR SAID WE HAVE LONG BEEN IN AGREEMENT ON OUR DIPLOMATIC APPROACHES AND FURTHER FORMALIZATION OF THESE WOULD HAVE TO BE CAREFULLY EXAMINED.

3. IN RESPONSE TO THIS, FORNMIN PAK AGREED TO DEVELOP SPECIFIC DRAFT LANGUAGE FOR OUR CONSIDERATION AND TO POSTPONE FURTHER EMBASSY/MOFA MEETINGS FOR TIME BEING.
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